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SUBJ: OECD TRADE COMMITTEE WORKING PARTY (TCWP);

SCHEDULE OF FORTH COMING MEETINGS.

REF: A) TFD/TD/746

B) TD/4565

C) TFD/TD/748

1. SUMMARY. AT ITS MEETING NOV. 6, TCWP ESTABLISHED AS SCHEDULE OF FUTURE MEETINGS TO CARRY OUT DECISIONS AND CONCLUSIONS OF OCT. 22-23 TC MEETING. HIGHLIGHTS FOLLOW.

2. GOVERNMENT PURCHASING. TCWP TENTATIVELY AGREED TO A TWO OR TWO AND A HALF DAY MEETING STARTING EC. 10 DESIGNED PRIMARILY TO PREPARE EXAMINATION OF THIS SUBJECT BY TC AT ITS NEXT SESSION (LAST HALF OF FEBRUARY). SECRETARIAT WILL  
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CIRCULATE A NOTE WITHIN TEN DAYS IDENTIFYING MAIN REMAINING

POINTS OF DIFFERENCE AMONG DELS WITH APPROPRIATE REFERENCES TO DRAFT INSTRUMENT AND PREVIOUS REPORT TO TC (TC(73)13). SECRETARIAT NOTE COULD SERVE AS ANNOTATED AGENDA FR SUBSEQUENT TC DISCUSSION. MAIN PURPOSE OF DEC. TCWP MEETING WOULD BE TO PUT NOTE INTO SHAPE FOR TC BY CLARIFYING AMBIGUITIES, NARROWING DIFFERENCES OF VIEW, AND IF POSSIBLE, CARRYING FORWARD TECHNICAL WORK IN AREAS IN NEED OF IT. AREAS SECRETARIAT THINKS SUSCEPTIBLE FOR FURTHER USEFUL TECHNICAL DISCUSSION INCLUDE PROCUREMENT BY INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS (WRITTEN COMMENTS RECEIVED FROM FRG, UK, NETHERLANDS), DISCRIMINATION AMONG FOREIGN SUPPLIERS, SOME TECHNICAL POINTS ON PARAS 14, 27 AND 31 OF DRAFT INSTRUMENT AND POSSIBLY PURCHASING ENTITIES. SECRETARIAT PLANS TO PREPARE ANNEX TO ITS NOTE WHICH WILL INDICATE ALL OTHER REMAINING DISPUTED OR UNTREATED QUESTIONS RELATED TO A GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT CODE FOR OECD X COUNTRIES. TCWP WILL BE ASKED TO DISTINGUISH ITEMS IN ANNEX SUITABLE FOR TC DISCUSSION FROM THOSE IN NEED OF MORE TECHNICAL ELABORATION AT EXPERTS LEVEL.

3. TCWP WAS UNANIMOUS IN AGREEING TO DEC. 10-13 DATE FOR MEETING ON GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT WITH EXCEPTION OF DANISH DEL WHOSE EXPERT UNABLE TO ATTEND AT ALL IN DECEMBER AND US DEL WHO ACCEPTED AD REF PENDING CONFIRMATION FROM WASHINGTON. DANISH DEL ACCEDED TO MAJORITY VIEW AT END OF MEETING. US DEL AGREED BE IN TOUCH WITH SECRETARIAT AFTER CONSULTING WASHINGTON. PLEASE ADVISE. MISSION BELIEVES WEEK PRECEDING DEC. 10 OFFERS EXCELLENT OCCASION FOR US TO TAKE UP INVITATION MADE BY EC AT RECENT CASEY-SOAMES TALKS FOR US SPECIALIST TO EXPLAIN US OBJECTIVES IN GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT TO GRIERSON'S STAFF (STATE 217448).

#### 4. TRADE RELATIONS WITH LDC'S.

A) TCWP AGREED SCHEDULE MEETING OF OECD GROUP ON PREFERENCES JAN. 15-16. PURPOSE IS TO PROCEED WITH EARLIER AGREED CONSULTATIONS ON ESTABLISHMENT, OPERATION AND IMPROVEMENT OF GENERALIZED SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES. SECRETARIAT MADE STRONG PLEA FOR DONOR COUNTRIES TO SUPPLY INFORMATION ON OPERATIONS AND MODIFICATIONS OF GSP AS REQUESTED BY TC/GP/4 AND CORRIGENDUM AS WELL AS TC/GP/18.

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B) TCWP AGREED TO MEET JAN 17/18 FOR PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION OF MANDATE GIVEN TO IT BY TC TO EXAMINE "THE TIME AND MANNER IN WHICH TC MIGHT CONSTRUCTIVELY CONTRIBUTE TO AN EXAMINATION OF THE QUESTION OF THE ADDITIONAL BENEFITS WHICH SHOULD ACCRUE TO THE TRADE OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES." (USOECD 27897). SECRETARIAT WILL PREPARE A DOCUMENT FOR THIS MEETING TO CONSIST ESSENTIALLY OF A RECAPITULATION OF LDC REQUESTS.

C) NON-EUROPEAN DELS INCLUDING US REQUESTED THAT ABOVE TWO MEETINGS BE SCHEDULED BACK TO BACK TO FACILITATE ATTENDANCE FROM CAPITALS.

5. INTERNAL POLICIES AND THEIR IMACT ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE.  
TCWP SCHEDULED A MEETING ON THIS SUBJECT FOR FEB. 7-8 ON BASIS  
OF NEW SECRETARIAT DOCUMENT TO BE CIRCULATED BEFORE DND OF 1973.

6. EXPORT CONTROLS. TCWP AGREED THAT IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO  
COMPILE AN INVENTORY OF EXPORT CONTROLS CURRENTLY APPLIED BY  
MEMBER AND IMPORTANT THRD COUNTRIES. SECRETARIAT WAS ASKED TO  
PREPARE THE INVENTORY, CONSULTING WITH DELS AS NECESSARY TO  
CHECK, COMPLETE OR UP-DATE RELEVANT INFORMATION. SECRETARIAT  
MAY HAVE TO RESORT TO QUESTIONNAIRE IF INFORMATION CURRENTLY AVAIL-  
ABLE FROM DELS PROVES INADEQUATE. AT REQUEST OF SEVERAL DELS IT  
WAS AGREED FOR TIME BEING THAT INVENTORY SHOULD EXCLUDE MEASURES  
APPLIED TO OIL OR PETOLEUM PRODUCTS AS THESE WILL PRESUMABLY  
BE CONSIDERED BY OIL COMMITTEE. QUESTION COULD BE REOPENED LATER  
IF WE OR OTHER DELS WISHED TO DO SO.  
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